the sight of it the whole forty of them

laughed also. Even now if I am in my darker humor, or if I have a touch of

my old Lithuanian ague, I see in my

sleep that ring of dark savage faces

with their cruel eyes and the firelight flashing upon their strong white teeth.

It is astenishing-and I have heard

many make the same remark-

acute one's senses become at such : crisis as this. I am convinced that at

no moment is one living so vividly, ac

acutely, as at the instant when a vio-

ient and foreseen death overtakes one

could hear every rustle of the

on or neard, save at such timbered

onour. And so it was that, long be-

re anyone else, before even the time

when the chief had addressed me, I had

heard a low, monotonous sound, far

away, indeed, and yet coming nearer at every instant. At first it was but a

murmur, a rumble, but by the time he

had finished speaking, while the assas-

sins were untying my ankles in order to

lead me to the scene of my murder, I

heard, as plainly as ever I heard any-

thing in my life, the clinking of horse-

hair shaded my lip, would mistake the

sound of troopers on the march? "Help,

omrades, help!" I shricked, and though

they struck me across the mouth and

tried to drag me up to the tree, I kept

on yelling: "Help me, my brave boys!

Help me, my children! They are mur-dering your colonel!" For the moment

my wounds and my troubles had brought

on a delirium, and I looked for nothing

less than my five hundred hussars, kettle-drums and all, to appear at the

But that which really appeared was

very different to anything which I had conceived. Into the clear space there

came galloping a fine young man upon

most beautiful roan horse. He was

fresh faced and pleasant looking, with

he most debonnaire bearing in the

gorld and the most gallant way of

carrying himself, a way which re-

minded me somewhat of my own. He

vore a singular cost which had once

been red all over, but which was now

stained to the color of a withered oals

out wherever the weather could reach

caveliers in the same dress-all clean

shaven, with round comely faces, look-

course by the strange coats that they

their stout bearing and their masterful

way I could see at a glance that what I had always been told was true, and that

they were excellent people to fight

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opening of the glade.

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a lim trees go. If you are stronger than to done. If on the other hand the trees But half the time I was taking the very ke-nest notice of everything be done. If on the other hand the trees which might possibly help mo. I am not a man who would lie like a sick horse waiting for the farrier sergeant and the pole ax. First I would give a little tug at my ankle cords, and then another at those that were around my wrists, and all the time I was trying to become them. loosen them I was peering round to see if I could find something which was in my favor. There was one thing which was very evident. A hussar is but half formed without a horse, and there was my other half quietly graning within thirty yards of me. Then I observed yet another thing. The path by which we had come over the moun-Train No. 1 connects with Southern Pacific 19, passing Maricopa at 19:08 p. m. Train No. 2 connects with Southern Pacific 20, passing Maricopa at 5:15 a. m. Connections made at Phonix with S. F., P. & P. H. R. for Prescutt and Congress tains was so steep that a horse could only be led across it slowly and with difficulty, but in the other direction the ground appeared to be more open. and to lead straight down into a gently sloping valley. Had I but my feet in

yonder stirrups and my saber in my hand, a single bold than might take me out of the power of these vermin of the rocks.
I was still thinking it over and straining with my wrists and my ankles when their chief came out from his grotto and after some talk with his lieutenant, who lay groaning near the fire, they both nodded their heads and looked across at me. He then said



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> For a little I could not see what they were after. One of the rascals climbed



tree up on one side of the glade, and tied a rope around the top of the trunk. He then fastened another rope in the same fashion to a similar tree on the other side. The two loose ends were now dangling down, and I waited with some curiosity and just a little trepida-Tunnel Saloon. tion to see what they would do next. The whole band pulled upon one of the ropes until they had bent the strong young tree down into a semi-circle and they then fastened it to a stump, so as to hold it so. When they had bent the other tree down in a similar fashion, the two summits were within a few feet of each other, though, as you understand, they would each spring back to their original position the instant that they were released. I J. C. KEATING Proprietor

> osen these cords," I answered, "I will show you how strong I am."
> "We were all interested to see wheth

stirrup, but was in the sent in a single bound. I tore the halter from the tree, and before those villains could so much as snap a pistol at me I was beside the English officer.

"I surrender to you, sir," I cried, though I dare say my English was not much better than his Freuch. "If you will look at that tree to the left you will see what these villains do to honorable gentlemen who fall into their hands."

The fire had flared up at the moment, and there was poor Vidal exposed



THERE WAR POOR VIDAL BEFORE THEM.

before them, as horrible an object as one could see in a nightmare. "Godam cried the officer, and "Godam!" cried each of the four troopers, which is the out out rasped the five sweets and the four men closed up. One who work a sergeant's chevron laughed and clapped me on the shoulder. "Fight for your skin, froggy," said he.

Ah! it was so fine to have a horse between my thighs and a weapon in my grip. I waved it above my head and shouted in my exultation. The chief had come forward, with that odious smiling face of his.

"Your excellency will observe that this Frenchman is our prisoner," he

"You are a rascally robber," said the Englishman, shaking his sword at him. "It is a disgrace to us to have such nilies. By the Lord, if the general were of my mind we would swing you up to the nearest tree.

"But my prisoner?" said the brigand, his supple spice ...

"Just a word in your ear before you nice him." He approached the young officer, and

then turning as quick as a flash, he fired his pistol in my face. The bullet scored its way through my hair and burst a hole on each side of my busby. Seeing that he had missed me, he raised the pistol and was about to hurl it at me, when the English sergeant, with a single backhanded cut, nearly severed his head from his body. His blood had shoes, and the jingling of bridle chains, not reached the ground, nor the last



HE NEARLY SEVERED HIS HEAD FROM HIS SHOULDERS.

curse died on his lips, before the whole horde were upon us, but with a dozen bounds and as many slashes we were all safely out of the glade, and galloping down the winding track which led to valley.

vine far behind us and were right out in the open fields that we ventured to f golden lace, and he had a bright half and to see what injuries we had ed as I was, my heart was beating proudly and my chest was nearly burs Gerard, had left this gang of murderers so much by which to remember me. My faith, they would think twice being to me more like monks than dragoons. At a short gruff order they halted with a rattle of arms, while their leader cantered forward, the fire beatfore they ventured again to lay hands upon one of the Third hussars. So car-ried away was I that I made a small

oration to these brave Englishmen and told them who it was that they had helped to rescue. I would have spoken of glory also and of the sympathies of brave men, but the officer cut me short. "That's all right," said he, "any in-

juries, sergeant?" "Trooper Jones' horse hit with a pistol bullet on the fetlock." "Trooper Jones to go with us. Ser-

geant Halliday with troopers Harvey and Smith to keep to the right until they touch the videttes of the German So these three jingled away together,

while the officer and I, followed at some distance by the trooper whose charger had been wounded, rode straight down in the direction of the English camp. Very soon we had opened our hearts, for we each liked the look of the other from the begin-ning. He was of the nobility, this brave lad, and he had been sent out scouting er you were as strong as these two
young saplings," said he. "It is our intention, you see, to tie one end of each
rope round your ankles and then to let

and the late of late by the fire,
and hurled myself onto the saddle of
any signs of our advancing through the
mountains. It is one advantage of a
wandering life like mine, that you learn any signs of our advancing through the mountains. It is one advantage of a



to pick up those bits of knowledge which distinguish the man of the world I have, for example, hardly ever met a Frenchman who could repeat an English title correctly. If I had not trav-eled I should not be able to say with confidence that this young man's real name was Milor Hon. Sir Russell Bart, this last being an honorable distinction, so that it was as the Bart that I usually addressed him, just as in Spanish one might say "the flon."

As we rode beneath the mornlight in the lovely Spanish night we spoke our minds to each other, as if we were brothers. We were both of an age, you see, both of the light cavalry also the Sixteenth light dragooms was his regiment) and both with the one hopes and ambitions. Nov. learned to know a man so qui did the Bart. He gave me the parter a girl whom he had loved as a garden called Vauxball and for my part I spoke to him of little Caralic of the opera. He took a lock of hair from his bosom, and I a garter. Then we nearly quarreled over hussar and dragson, for he was absurdly proud of his regiment, and you should have seen him curl his lip and clap his hand to his hit when I said that I hoped it might never be its misfortune to come in the way of the Third.

such stories of the money which he had. lost over which of two cocks could kill the other, or which of two men could strike the other the most in a fight for a prize, that I was filled with astonishment. He was ready to bet upon anything in the most wonderful manner and when I chanced to see a shooting star he was anxious to bet that he would see more than me, twenty-five frances a star, and it was only when I explained that my purse was in the hands of the brigands that he would give over the idea. Well, we chatted away in this very

amiable fashion until the day began to break, when suddenly we heard a great volley of musketry from somewhere me the front of us. It was very rocky and broken ground, and I thought, although I could see nothing, that a general engagement had broken Bart laughed at my idea, have explained that the some the English camp, where emptied his plece each no . to make sure of having a "In another mile we shall be up with

the outposts," said he.

I glanced around at this and i perceived that we had trotted alo good a page during the to were keeping up our plate. the dragoon with the lanaltogether out of sight. every side, but in the w vast rocky valley there vo only the Bart and 1-ball you understand, and bo mounted. I began to sary that I should ride that mile which could bring me to the British out-

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those miscreants had formed.

"I presume that you are a strong man, colonel," said the chief, coming toward ne with his hateful smile.

HE SAID A FEW WORDS TO THE BAND.

ing upon his eager face and the beautiful head of his charger. I knew of were English. It was the first sight that I had ever had of them, but from already saw the diabolical plan which

"If you will have the kindness to

"Well, well, well!" cried the young flicer, in sufficiently bad French: "What devil's game are you up to here? Who was that who was yelling for help, and what are you trying to do to him?

to bless those months which Obriant, the descendant of the Irish kings, had spent in teaching me the tongue of the English. My ankles had just been freed, so that I had only to slip my hands out of the cords, and with a single rush I had flown across, picked

It was at that moment that I learned